



LOCAL HELP FOR PEOPLE WITH MEDICARE

**1-877-353-3771 (Toll-free)**  
**Free information**  
**and advice from your**  
**Maine SHIP**

**SHIP provides education and help**  
**with health insurance decisions.**  
**Health Insurance Counselors do not**  
**sell insurance or recommend policies.**

**SHIP is sponsored locally by Maine's**  
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**Services for the Elderly.**

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**How do you apply to get**  
**\$600 in each of 2004 and**  
**2005 to help pay for**  
**prescription drugs?**

➔ Call the Maine SHIP  
to compare drug discount  
card choices.

➔ Choose one  
Medicare-approved drug  
discount card.

➔ Complete an  
enrollment form,  
including the information  
needed for the \$600  
assistance.

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**Help with your Medicare and**  
**health insurance questions**

**You may be**  
**able to get**

**\$600**

**from Medicare**  
**to help pay for**  
**your**  
**prescription**  
**drugs...**



You can enroll in a Medicare-approved drug discount card to help you save money on the cost of your prescription drugs.

You are eligible for a discount card if:

- You have Medicare Part A and/or B, and
- You do not have prescription drug coverage through MaineCare



Call SHIP to get information about enrolling in a discount card available in Maine.

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**You may be eligible to get the card for free and get a \$600 credit in each of 2004 and 2005.**

**Complete the worksheet in this brochure to find out.**

## **You may be able to get \$600...**

Fill out this worksheet to find out if you are eligible to get \$600 in each of 2004 and 2005 to help pay for your prescription drugs.

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> | I have Medicare Part A and/or B.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> | My total yearly income is less than \$12,569 (\$16,862 for a couple).   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> | I do not have drug coverage through MaineCare (Medicaid), TRICARE for Life, Federal Employees Health Benefits Plan or a retiree plan. |

**If you've checked all 3 boxes, you may be eligible!**

Note: If your annual income is more than the amounts above but less than \$13,476 (\$18,072 for a couple) and you have little savings, you

may be eligible for a program  
that pays your monthly Medicare  
Part B premium (\$66.60/month)  
and maybe more.

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**Call the Maine SHIP at 1-  
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get more information about  
Medicare and other  
benefits to help reduce your  
out-of-pocket medical costs.**